



A Letter From the Front: Part II;

Wiges, Germany Feb. 23, 1919

We were digging a trench in no mans land one night and just as we got it finished the Germans threw over a couple dozen shells. But we were all in the trench and no one was hurt. We left on the 21st. of Nov. for Abenville and found 18 sacks of mail waiting for us as we did not get any mail while we were at the front.

We worked thru Dec. and Jan. building Swiss Cottages and cantonments. On the last of Jan. we left for the front at Beaumont. We stayed there 'till the morning of Easter Sunday. Our work here was strengthening our lines and digging a lot more dugouts. We lived here in dugouts and for the first time got acquainted with the trench rat and cooties. I worked here at gas proving dugouts. It was an easy job for when working in the front line we had a detail of doughboys to carry lumber for us.

The trenches were about knee deep in mud and water but we wore hip boots and did not mind it. While we were there I spent three weeks in the Hospital at Toul with the rumps. It sure was a crummie place and I was glad to get away from it, even if we had to stand on the alert at nights and work at day.

We used to stand outside of our dugouts and watch the German shells knock the houses to pieces a hundred yards or so away. This place was right in front of Mt. Sec. We were relieved here by the 26th. Division and the Dutch shure made it hot for them.

We went back to a place called Maron for a short rest and then left for the Montdidier front. We landed there April 25 and from then 'till May 28 we strengthened our lines. This was a Lar Bon Sector as the Dutch had a good bit of Artillery here and they shure knew how to use it. The Hon Coms would work with the doughboys at night and many a night we could see fairly well just by the flashes of the guns.

We lost our first man killed here and before we left lost quite a few more. On the night of May 27-140 picked men from D Co. were chosen to go over with the 28th. Infantry the next morning. The rest of our Company was in reserve for us. We left camp about nine O'clock and stopped in an old stone quarry in "Death Valley" just behind the front lines. We had to stay until morning and we all hated this valley for nearly every night.

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BIG BROTHER #73: WINTER 1915: 9 OCTOBER 1968:
WINNERS GAME #4: ITALY DOES END THE WAR! ENGLAND WINS:
CONGRATULATIONS TO BIG BROTHER'S FIRST TWO GAME WINNER*JOHN KONING!

Re: RULE #13: First Player to get control of 18 supply centers OR a
Majority of the pieces on the board, AT ANY TIME, WINS the game.
As of the deadline date: Italy has refused to make the retreat due.
Also Italy has sent no required Spring 1916 moves which proves that
he has no intent of the game going any longer!

Therefore Fleet of Italy retreating from Ionian Sea is removed.
Now: England has 8 Armies & 7 Fleets, total is 15 units.
Italy has 4 Armies & 1 Fleet, total is 5 units.
Austria has 1 Army & 1 Fleet, total is 2 units.
Russia has 3 Armies & 4 Fleets, total is 7 units.

Total on board at this time is 29 units.

Majority of the pieces on board is 15 units so Koning WINS!

SPECIAL RATING LIST OF THE 7 COMPLETED BIG BROTHER GAMES.#1,2,3,4,5,6,7
("W" - A Big BROTHER POSTAL DIPLOMACY GAME WINNER!)

- 15 John Koning W
- 9 Monte Zelazny W
- 8 James Dygert W
- 7 Ed Halle W
- 7 Hal Neus W
- 6 Tom Griffin W
- 2 Trevor Hearndon
- 2 John McCallum
- 2 Charles Turner
- 1 Mike Childers
- 1 Bob Lake
- 1 Derek Nelson
- 0 Edi Birsan
- 1 Ron Bounds
- 1 Charles Brannan
- 1 Jack Chalker
- 1 Bob Johnson
- 1 Dave Mayhall
- 1 Jerry Pournelle
- 1 Charles Roland
- 1 John Smythe
- 1 Rodlie Walker
- 2 Charles Alexander
- 2 James MacKenzie
- 2 Roland Tzudiker
- 2 Charles Wells
- 2 Karl Wittmann
- 3 Margaret Gemignani
- 3 Greg Warden
- 4 Conrad von Metzke

Rule #31: Moves like Fleet "North" are not any longer accepted
where it could have more than one meaning. Example; Does Fleet
"North" mean North Sea, North Atlantic Ocean, North Africa,
North Coast of Spain, Or North Coast of St. Petersburg?????

BIG BROTHER #73: FALL 1903: 8 OCTOBER 1968:
KENNEDY GAME #9: TURKS LEAVE BUDAPEST TO THE RUSSIANS!
RETREAT, BUILDS, & possible REMOVAL due 5PM, TUESDAY, 22nd. OCTOBER '68.

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ENGLAND-----Fleet-Mid-Atlantic Ocean to English Channel
McCallum Fleet-Irish Sea S F M.A.O. to English Channel
Fleet-North Sea S F. M.A.O. to English Channel
Army-Wales to London

FRANCE-----Army-Spain holds
Warden Fleet-Portugal to Mid-Atlantic Ocean
Fleet-Brest S F Portugal to Mid-Atlantic (No F Brest!)

Unordered Fleet in English Channel is Sunk! See Rule #14.
Fleet-Picardy to English Channel
Army-Belgium S A Burgundy
Army-Burgundy S A Belgium

GERMANY-----Fleet-Denmark to Sweden
Hetsko Fleet-Baltic Sea S F Denmark to Sweden
Army-Holland holds
Army-Berlin to Silesia
Army-Manich S A Berlin to Silesia

ITALY-----Fleet-Greece holds
Connelly Army-Vienna S Turkish A Budapest to Galicia
Army-Tyrolia to Bohemia
Army-Venice to Tyrolia
Fleet-Trieste to Adriatic Sea

AUSTRIA-----Fleet-Albania stands

RUSSIA-----Army-Galicia to Rumania*
Birsan (*-A retreats to Warsaw)
Army-Ukraine to Sevastopol
Fleet-Sweden to Denmark#
(#-F retreats to Skagerrak, Norway, Finland, or Gulf of Bothnia)

TURKEY-----Fleet-Constantinople to Aegean Sea
Dellbringge Fleet-Black Sea to Constantinople
Fleet-Sevastopol to Black Sea
Fleet-Bulgaria(South Coast) holds
Army-Armenia to Sevastopol
Army-Rumania to Ukraine
Army-Budapest to Galicia

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Supply Centers Controlled By:

England-3 home, Nor (4) No change-(Unless Russian F retreats to Norway.

Please submit removal to be used in case this happens!)

France-3 home, Bel, 2 Iberian (6) Build One

Germany-3 home, Den, Hol, Swed (6) Build One

Italy-3 home, Tun, Tri, Vie, Gre (7) Build Two

Austria-None (0) G.M. removes F Albania.

Russia-St. Pete, Mos, War, Bud (Yes!) Build One-(Note if retreat is to

Norway then send two builds in.)

Turkey-3 home, Bul, S, b, Rum, Sevast. (7) No change yet.

NOTE: WE STILL NEED TWO (2) PLAYERS FOR BIG BROTHER GAME #11. HURRY!!

BIG BROTHER WANTS YOU!

Fees: \$6.00 New

\$3.00 Used; \$4.50 Retreat.

BIG BROTHER #73: FALL 1901: 9 OCTOBER 1968:
Last Chance Game #10: RUSSIANS & AUSTRIANS GATHER AT MUNICH!
WINTER 1901 MOVES (BUILDS) Due at 5 P.M., TUESDAY, the 22 OCTOBER 1968.

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ENGLAND---Army-Edinburgh to Holland (Dave-Write out moves completely)
Lebling Fleet-North Sea C A Edinburgh to Holland
Fleet-Norwegian Sea to Norway

FRANCE---Army-Picardy to Belgium
Smythe Army-Spain to Marseilles
Fleet-Mid-Atlantic Ocean to Portugal

GERMANY---Fleet-Denmark to Sweden
Birsan Army-Kiel to Berlin
Army-Ruhr to Munich

ITALY-----Army-Piedmont to Marseilles
Hetsko Army-Venice holds
Fleet-Tyrrhenian Sea to Tunis

AUSTRIA---Army-Tyrolia S Russian A Silesia to Munich
Koning Army-Serbia to Bulgaria
Fleet-Albania to Greece

RUSSIA-----Army-Silesia to Munich (Buddy-Write out moves completely)
TRETICK Army-Livonia to Prussia
Fleet-Gulf of Bothnia to Sweden
Fleet-Rumania to Sevastopol

TURKEY---Army-Armenia to Sevastopol
Connolly Fleet-Black Sea S A Armenia to Sevastopol
Army-Bulgaria to Rumania

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Supply Centers Controlled By:

England-3 home, Hol, Nor (5) Build Two
France-3 home, Bel, Spa, Port (6) Build Three
Germany-Ber, Kiel, Den (3) No change
Italy-3 home, Tun (4) Build One
Austria-3 home, Serb, Gre (5) Build Two
Russia-St. Pete, Mos, War, Mun, Rum (5) Build One
Turkey-3 home, Sev, Bul (5) Build Two
Deserter Controlled-Swed (1)

=====PRESS RELEASES=====

Vienna: Do not be alarmed, Turkey. This is merely a feint before our massive attack on England.

Berlin: "Buddy darling, you can the whole you and dump it somewhere so that the real Buddy never does come through." & "So help me Koning you shall go under before me!"

Rome: Early the morning of 27 May 1901, King Anzelius of Italy was assassinated by an agent of the King of France. The Minister of state assumed power temporarily and issued this statement: "France shall pay for this inhuman act. Furthermore, we publicly condemn Russia for it's invasion of Germany & Rumania. We support Austria's attempt to preserve the integrity of the Balkin states from Turkish & Russian aggression."

Paris: The unexpected Italian response to France's offer of peace has angered the Republic. President Bacchus took time from his day-revel to declare a national emergency and to order the mobilization of the Armie de la Metropolitain. A note was dispatched to the Italian Ambassador demanding an immediate explanation.

BIG BROTHER #73: SUMMER 1906: 8 OCTOBER 1968:
ANNIVERSARY GAME #18: Italian Army-Venice Retreat to Apulia:
FALL 1906: ITALIANS LOSE BATTLES IN EVERY DIRECTION!
WINTER RETREAT & BUILDS & REMOVAL due 5PM, TUESDAY, the 22nd. OCTOBER.

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ENGLAND---Fleet-North Africa to Tunis
Connelly Fleet-Irish Sea to Mid-Atlantic Ocean
Fleet-English Channel S F Irish Sea to Mid-Atlantic
Army-Belgium to Picardy
Fleet-Holland to Belgium

FRANCE---Army-Gascony to Support A Burgundy
Koning Army-Spain to Marseilles
Army-Burgundy hold
Fleet-Mid-Atlantic to English Channel*
(*Retreat to Portugal, North Africa, or Western Med.)
Fleet-Brest S F Mid-Atlantic to English Channel
Fleet-Portugal to Spain(SC)

ITALY---Fleet-Eastern Med. to Ionian Sea
Halle Fleet-Adraitic Sea to Venice
Army-Rome S F Adraitic Sea to Venice
Army-Apulia S F Adraitic Sea to Venice

AUSTRIA---Army-Greece to Bulgaria
Birsan Army-Piedmont S A Venice
Army-Trieste S A Venice
Fleet-Aegean Sea S F Albania to Ionian Sea
Army-Smyrna hold
Army-Venice S A Trieste
Fleet-Albania to Ionian Sea
Army-Vienna S A Trieste
Army-Tyrolia S A Venice

RUSSIA---Army-Ukraine holds
Johnson Fleet-Rumania holds
Army-Sevastopol holds
Army-Moscow to Warsaw
Army-Silesia S A Munich
Army-Ruhr to Burgundy
Army-Munich S A Ruhr to Burgundy
Army-Kiel to Ruhr
Fleet-North Atlantic Ocean S English F Irish Sea to M.A.O.
Fleet-North Sea S English F English Channel

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Supply Centers Controlled By:
England-3 home, Nor, Hol, Bel, Tun (7) Build Two
France-3 home, 2 Iberian, (5) Remove One
ITALY-Rome, Nap (2) Remove Two
Austria-3 home, 3 Turk, Serb, Gre, Bul, Ven (10) Build One
Russia-4 home, Rum, 3 German, Swed, Den (10) Constant

HELP SAVE BIG BROTHER!

BIG BROTHER #73:

5 OCTOBER 1968:

(49 FINISHED GAMES

THE OFFICIAL & ORIGINAL BIG BROTHER'S POSTAL DIPLOMACY RATINGS!

GAMES: BIG BROTHER #12, 3, 5, 6, & 7. Also: 1963B, 64A, B, D, 65A, B, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, 65M, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, 66B, D, E, H, I, M, N, O, R, AA, AC, AG, AE, AL, AM, AQ, AU, AV, BC, BG, 66BK, & 67H. Note: "W" denotes a regular seven man game postal WINNER!

27 John Smythe W ✓	1 Robert Ward ✓	-1 Dennis Smith
25 Charles Wells W ✓	0 <u>Edl Birsen</u>	-1 Jess Steinberg
22 Don Miller W	0 Charles Brannen ✓	-1 Bill Stewart
20 James Dygert W ✓	0 Scott Duncan ✓	-1 Henry Stein
20 Monte Zelazny W ✓	0 Jack Harness	-1 William Sullivan
15 Derek Nelson W ✓	0 Greg Long ✓	-1 Mahran Thompson
15 Buddy Pendergrass W	0 James Thomas	-1 Richard Uhr
13 John Koning W ✓	0 Earl Thompson	-1 Richard Vaughn ✓
13 Jerry Pournelle W ✓	-1 Michael Aita	-1 Stephen Willard
11 John McCallum W ✓	-1 Dan Alderson	-1 Ronald Wilson
10 Charles Turner W ✓	-1 Lon Bailes ✓	-2 Brian Bailey
9 Charles Reinsel W ✓	-1 Ed Baker ✓	-2 Steve Barr
8 Dan Barrows W ✓	-1 Brenda Banks	-2 Bill Christian
8 Alan Huff W ✓	-1 Tom Bulmer	-2 Dennis Frisch
8 James MacKenzie W	-1 Thomas Byro	-2 Alex Gilliland
8 Harold Naus W ✓	-1 Allan Calhamer ✓	-2 Al Goggins
7 John Beshara W ✓	-1 Mike Celestre	-2 Barry Gold
7 Ed Halle W ✓	-1 Jack Chalker ✓	-2 Terry Huston
7 Paul Leich W	-1 Louis Curtis	-2 Fred Lerner
7 Bruce Pelz W ✓	-1 Ron Daniels	-2 Pat McDonald
6 Banks Mebane ✓	-1 Sean Donahue ✓	-2 George Parks
6 Larry Peery ✓	-1 Alan Fisher	-2 Ron Parks
6 Gene Prosnitz W ✓	-1 Sidney Get	-2 Kim Pattee
5 Tom Griffin W ✓	-1 Thomas Gorman	-2 Bill Schreffler
5 James Latimer W ✓	-1 Ben Hendin	-2 Jerry Teeney
4 Terry Kuch ✓	-1 Wayne Hohcisel	-2 Bob Whalen
4 Roddie Walker ✓	-1 Monroe Jeffrey	-2 Karl Wittmann
3 Conrad von Metzke W ✓	-1 Bob Johnson ✓	
2 Rick Brooks	-1 Clyde Johnson	-3 Charles Alexander ✓
2 Ken Davidson	-1 Mark Johnson	-3 Ron Bounds
2 Trevor Hearndon ✓	-1 Stuart Keshner	-3 Arthur Canfil
2 Harold Peck ✓	-1 Bob Komada ✓	-3 Paul Harley
2 Dian Pelz	-1 Robert Lake	-3 Bernie Kling
2 Chris Wagner ✓	-1 Dave Lebling ✓	-3 Mark Owings
1 Lon Atkins	-1 Bill Linden ✓	-3 Greg Warden ✓
1 Donald Berman ✓	-1 James Maddux	-4 John Boardman ✓
1 Doug Beyerlein ✓	-1 Dave Mayhall	-4 Bob Cline
1 Richard Bryant ✓	-1 John Mazer	-4 Leonard Garland
1 Mike Childers ✓	-1 Greg Molencar	-4 Jim Sanders
1 Frank Clark	-1 James Munroe ✓	-4 Joel Sattell
1 John Davy	-1 Steve Patt	-4 Dick Schultz
1 Ken Fletcher ✓	-1 Steve Powlesland	-5 Phil Castora
1 Dave Francis ✓	-1 Paul Puckett	-5 Margaret Gemignani ✓
1 Jack Greene ✓	-1 Don Hecklies	-5 James Goldman
1 Ken Levinson	-1 Larry Reinstein	-5 Jerald Jacks
1 Peter McDonald ✓	-1 Charles Roland ✓	-6 Andy Swenson ✓
1 Jock Root	-1 John Sandova	-7 Roland Taudiker ✓
1 Richard Shargrin ✓	-1 Gail Schow ✓	(Total 142 Players:)

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